## "Generously support the Pope's petition to pray the Rosary in October"

The Prelate encourages "all members of the Work, cooperators and those who take part in its apostolic work to generously support this desire of the Pope, and to extend this invitation to many other friends, beseeching our Mother Holy Mary and Saint Michael the Archangel to protect the Church."

Pope Francis has invited all Catholics to recite the Rosary daily during the month of October, and at the end of it to pray the Sub Tuum Praesidium ("We fly to your patronage...") prayer and the prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel (see press release from the Holy See Press Office, September 29, 2018). These prayers will help us to spread Christ's peace and to pray especially for the gift of unity in the Church and in the world. As Saint Paul told the Ephesians, we need to realize that "we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places" (Eph 6:12).

I ask and encourage all members of the Work, cooperators and those who take part in its apostolic work to generously support this desire of the Pope, and to extend this invitation to many other friends, beseeching our Mother Holy Mary and Saint Michael the Archangel to protect the Church.

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